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STRANGE DENOUEMENT OF AN ELOPEMENT.—A gentleman of Albany missed his daughter one night, and becoming convinced from various circumstances that she was intending to elope with a young German book-keeper, started for the railroad depot and commenced a search for the couple.—He went through a train, scanning every face, but not finding the right ones, and was about leaving the depot yard, when he discovered the parties he was looking for.—What followed this is thus narrated:

"His daughter saw him, and dragging her lover aside, supposed that the old man would not notice them. He seized his daughter by the arm, and attempted to drag her from her lover; but she clung to the latter as her last ray of hope. The father was very violent, and his manner threatened harm to the girl. Our Teutonic friend's nerves began to swell. He became highly excited at witnessing the rough usage of the g.l. He immediately seized Hughes by the neck, struck him several times, and finally threw him heavily upon the ground. The girl was in a quandary. She did not know whom to take part with. Both, of course, were dear to her. She was in tears. The pounding of her father by her lover, caused her to scream. Four persons rushed to the scene. The girl took hold of her lover, and pulled him off her father. She was horrified at seeing the blood trickling from wounds upon her father's face. She regretted her action,—placed her arms about his neck, saying, 'Poor father, forgive me.' She turned upon her lover and abused him for beating her father; and rather than stand that, and the gaze of the crowd, who were collecting about, the young man sloped through the gate and left. The girl remained with her father, and after washing the blood from his face, proceeded home with him."

THE GREAT BALLOON VOYAGE.—Mr. T. S. Lowe, the aeronaut who proposes to undertake an aerial voyage to Europe, has published a card, giving his views of the art of ballooning. He contends that the impression which prevails that no essential improvements have been made in the art of ballooning since the days of the brothers Montgolfier, is erroneous. The progress of the art has indeed been slow, but it would be idle to deny that our knowledge of the currents of the air has been greatly enlarged by practical experiment, and by the investigations of distinguished scientific men, or that an actual improvement has taken place in the construction and management of balloons. Why more than this has not been accomplished is because seven-eighths of those engaged in pursuit of the art are not practical investigators, but mere exhibitors, whose attempts are confined to limited ascensions. During the past fifty years, at least three thousand balloon ascensions have taken place in different parts of the United States, and including aeronauts and passengers, some eight thousand persons have made a trial voyages of greater or less duration. Although most of these ascensions have been conducted by inexperienced persons, but a single life has been lost—that of Mr. Thurston.

GOLD AND SILVER TRANSPORTED OVER PANAMA RAILROAD.—During the four years ending December 1, 1858, the amount of specie transported over the Panama Railroad, was over \$200,000,000. The precise sum was as follows: Gold, \$171,157,421 28; Silver, \$2,902,793 49. Total, \$200,561,214 74. Consigned to the United States, \$135,098,093 87; to England, \$65,426,120 87.

The silver was exclusively for British account, having been brought to Panama from South America and Mexico, and most of the gold shipped to the United States found its way ultimately to the Bank of England.

HOW TO EAT WISELY.—Some experiments made in France have proved that a man can be sustained at hard labor, without waste, upon twelve mouthfuls of solid food a day. No man should eat heartily when in a state of excitement, or very much fatigued. A very light meal under such circumstances is of much more advantage than a hearty meal.

Read the following valuable extract from Hail's Journal of Health, upon the subject of taking our meals:

"1. Never sit down to a table with an anxious or disturbed mind; better a hundred-fold intermit that meal, for there will then be that much more food in the world for hungry stomachs than yours; and, beside, eating under such circumstances can only, and will always, prolong and aggravate the condition of things.

"2. Never sit down to a meal after any intense mental effort, for physical and mental injury are inevitable, and no man has a right to deliberately injure body, mind or estate.

"3. Never go to a full table during bodily exhaustion—designated by some as being worn out, tired to death, used up, done over, and the like. The wisest thing you can do under such circumstances, is to take a cracker and a cup of warm tea, either black or green, and no more. In ten minutes you will feel a degree of refreshment and liveliness which will be pleasantly surprising to you; not of the transient kind which a glass of liquor affords, but permanent; for the tea gives present stimulus and a little strength, and before it subsides, nutriment begins to be drawn from the sugar and cream and bread, thus allowing the body gradually, and by safe degrees to regain its usual vigor. Then in a couple of hours, you may take a full meal, provided it does not bring it later than two hours before sundown; if later, then take nothing for that day in addition to the cracker and tea, and the next day you will feel a freshness and vigor not recently known.

"No reader will require to be advised a second time, who will make a trial as above, while it is a fact of no unusual observation, among intelligent physicians, that eating heartily and under bodily exhaustion is not unfrequently the case of alarming and painful illness, and sometimes sudden death. These things being so, let every family make it a point to assemble around the family board with kindly feelings, with a cheerful humor, and a courteous spirit; and let that meal be sent from it in disgrace who presumes to mar the ought-to-be blessed reunion by sullen silence, or impatient look, or angry tone, or complaining tongue. Eat in thankful gladness, or away with you to the kitchen, you graceless churl, you ungrateful pestilent lout that you are. There was grand and good philosophy in the old-time custom of having a bufoon or music at the dinner table."

MARRIAGE STATISTICS.—A table inserted in a paper in The Assurance Magazine, exhibits results of a rather startling character. In the first two quinquennial periods, twenty and twenty-five, and twenty-five and thirty, the probability of a widower marrying in a year is three times as great as that of a bachelor; at thirty it is nearly four times as great; from thirty to forty-five it is five times as great; and increases until, at sixty, the chance of a widower marrying in a year is eleven times as great as that of a bachelor. It is curious to remark, from this table, how confirmed either class becomes in its condition of life—how little likely, after a few years, is a bachelor to break through his settled habits and solitary condition; and, on the other hand, how readily in proportion does a husband contract a second marriage who has been deprived prematurely of his first partner. After the age of thirty, the probability of a bachelor marrying in a year diminishes in a most rapid ratio. The probability at thirty-five is not much more than half at thirty, and nearly the same proportion exists between each quinquennial period afterward.

IMPERIAL PRESENTS AND APARTMENTS.—A correspondent writing to the New Orleans Sunday Delta says: "Apropos of presents, the popular and gentle Empress Eugenie has received from her people a most splendid and unique gift of two elegant gold vases, weighing one hundred and eighty ounces, filled with rare and elaborately wrought flowers of gold, each charged with the perfumes of the living sweet originals. What could be more delicious than inhaling, when one liked, the fragrant breaths exhaling from never-dying flowers? In the palace of the Tuilleries, the apartments of the Empress are being allotted in a manner to afford her a succession of surprising changes. A boudoir, after the manner of the Alhambra is to astonish her by its gorgeousness; and, in another, the panels are being decorated by full-length portraits of the dames d'honneur, some of which are already completed.

DEB.—There was lately on exhibition at Sydney, Australia, a set of horse shoes made of native gold, weighing 24 ounces, and worth about 500 dollars. They were made for a favorite pony in New South Wales.

A NEW LIFE-BOAT.—Some preliminary trials were made with a new life-boat, which the National Life-Boat Institution is about to send to Whitburn, on the coast of Durham. The boat, which is 32 feet long, and 7 feet 10 inches wide, is on the design of James Peake, Esq., and was built by the Messrs. Forrest, of Limehouse. Having been capsized by some tackling attached to a crane, her self-righting power was found to be perfectly effective. The water the boat thus shipped was self-ejected through six relieving valves in 25 seconds. With her crew of 13 men and gear on board, her line of floatation was found to be 5 1/2 inches below the deck; 23 men had to rest on the gunwale or side of the boat, before it touched the water's edge—an evidence of the boat's great stability or power against capsizing. The trial was in every respect satisfactory, and reflected much credit on all concerned in her construction.

PRESERVING STONE AND IRON.—One of our foreign exchanges states, that parts of the Palace at Westminster, which were fast going to decay, have been restored by the application of the silicate of soda solution, washed after drying with diluted muriatic acid, so as to render the soda soluble, when it washes off with rains, etc., leaving behind it an indestructible coating of pure silica, or flint, on which the hardest scrubbing with brushes and water makes no impression. Applied to iron in a somewhat similar way, it forms a coating that will preserve the metal from rust. The roofs of the Clock and Victoria Towers, to which it has been applied, are as bright and as clean as when emerging from the foundry. It adheres to a metal surface so tenaciously, that in attempting to remove it, the chisel chips off with it. It appears indestructible by the elements, and is uninjured by long immersion in sulphuric acid.—*American Railway Times*.

JUST RECEIVED
PER STEAMER LABOUCHERE,
A BEAUTIFUL LOT OF

Gentlemen's Dressing Robes.

—ALSO—

A magnificent assortment of

SILK UMBRELLAS, of high finish. A full assortment of Gents' Superfine

WHITE SHIRTS.

A New Style of BYRON COLLARS
—and—

GARROTE COLLARS.

The Latest Styles of

IMPERIAL CRAVATS.

Those Superior Bengal Silk

DRAWERS.

I am now prepared to supply the numerous calls for

Gents' Night Shirts.

Call and examine at

N. POINTER'S.

dec15-1m

HOLIDAY GIFTS!!!

Splendid Stock of Gold and Silver

WATCHES & JEWELRY,

JUST RECEIVED BY

E. MARKS,

(YATES STREET, OPPOSITE HIBDEN & CARSWELL'S.)

The finest assortment of

Ladies' & Gentlemen's Watches,

CHAINS, CHARM'S, SETTS,

Breast-Pins, Ear-Rings,

Bracelets, Gold and Silver Pencils, Lockets,

Thimbles, &c. &c.

N. B.—Particular attention paid to REPAIRING

WATCHES AND JEWELRY.

All work warranted.

dec29.

Christmas Purchases.

JUST RECEIVED PER PACIFIC.

FRESH CURRANTS;

Layer Raisins;

Dairy Fresh Butter and Cheese;

Lard; Candles;

English Bacon and Hams;

Fine Family Tea;

1,000 bushel Potatoes, of Vancouver Island produce.

Colonial Produce Store,

Corner Yates and Government streets

dec22.

T. PHELAN.

STOLEN OR STRAYED.

DISAPPEARED FROM THE PASTURE OF

JOHN WORK, Esquire, Hillside, near Victoria,

on the night of Sunday, the 16th October last.

A STOUT-BUILT, LIGHT GRAY PONEY,

branded T. C. on the near hip.

Any person returning the same to the owner, W. F. TOLMIE, at Hillside, or at the Hudson Bay Co.'s Office, Victoria, will be suitably rewarded. Im dec13.

dec24-1m

PISTOL GALLERY,

JOHNSON STREET, NEAR GOVERNMENT.

Six Shots for 25 Cents.

dec24-1m

FOR LEASE.

BY ROBERTSON STEWART & CO;

Pilot Bread;

Soda;

Sugar;

Boston and Butter Crackers.

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CURTIS & MOORE

SELL

FINE BATHING COLOGNE

at 75 cts. per Quart.

CURTIS & MOORE

SELL

PURE BAY RUM

at 75 cents per Quart Bottle.

CURTIS & MOORE

SELL

KISS-ME-QUICK PERFUME,

AND

POMADES.

CURTIS & MOORE

LICENSED TO SELL

ALCOHOL,

&c. &c.

CURTIS & MOORE

Sell all their

GOODS AT

SAN FRANCISCO

PRICES.

REMEMBER!

CURTIS & MOORE

WARRANT

ALL THEIR

GARDEN, FRUIT,

FLOWER

—AND—

FIELD SEEDS

TO GROW!!

2,000

GALLONS ALCOHOL

FOR SALE BY

CURTIS & MOORE.

dec10-1m

DRY GOODS! DRY GOODS!

JUST OPENED.

NEW DRY GOODS STORE,

Corner of Yates and Government Streets.

THE UNDERSIGNED begs leave to announce to the public of Victoria, and V. I. that he has opened the magnificent Dry Goods Store on the corner of Yates and Government streets, where he is prepared to offer a complete assortment of

Fancy and Staple Dry Goods,

Comprising Linens, Silks, Dainties, Prints, Poplins, Merinos, Flannels, Shawls, Mantillas, Embroideries of every description, and Trimmings.

—ALSO—

An assortment of Gents' Furnishing Goods, Carpets, Drapery and Matting. All of which will be sold at the lowest market prices.

New goods received by every conveyance.

The public are solicited to call and examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere.

A. HOFFMAN,

New Dry Goods Store corner of Yates and Gov. st.

dec11-1m

FOR SALE.

By W. E. SMITH,

Corner Government and Yates st.

dec17-1m

FOR LEASE.

THAT COMMODIOUS STORE presently occupied

by K. Gambitz, and situated on Government

near Yates street. Apply to JOHN COPLAND,

Yates st.

dec22-1m

STRAYING

ON MY FARM AT ROSEMOULD, FOR THE

last two months, a Steer, dark brown, branded

on the hind, as near as I can make out, M. P., with

a pound on his neck. Unless claimed within one

month, will be sold by auction to pay expenses.

dec22-1m

ROBERT SCOTT.

Daguerreotyping.

We are fast acquiring unlooked-for honor and distinction. Our very opponents acknowledge a "sensation of solemn grandeur" when contemplating us. All the uprightness and innocence of Adam in the garden of Eden is conceded to us. It is well this overdose of flattery is counteracted by a large dose of misrepresentation and abuse, or it might turn our head.

Failing to prove our connection with the shoe trade, a very honorable calling, it is now decided to proclaim us a daguerreotypist. We do not think either of these vocations would particularly disqualify a man for the Legislature. In reference to the first, we had rather be a respectable maker or even mender of shoes, than a bête babbler of Electro Franchise bills. In reference to the latter, though we never pretended to be a Parisian or French artist, taking daguerreotypes has for a long time past been our business. Some years ago, we furnished sun-pictures; of late we have been furnishing pen-pictures for the benefit of the public. The chief difficulty we have to contend with is precisely that which afflicted Gray's portrait-painter—our likenesses are too faithful to be flattering. Our rivals in the business sometimes find fault with our pictures, but are careful to avoid the chance of comparison. A notable instance of this occurred but the other day. The *Gazette* complained bitterly of our report of the Cary meeting, and stated that its own account was unavoidably postponed. By the absence of all information on the subject in yesterday's issue, it would seem to be indefinitely as well as unavoidably postponed.

In lieu, however, of this expected report, we have a labored article, evidently the production of Mr. Cary. Apart from the style which exhibits plainly the peculiar idiosyncrasies of the Attorney-General—wordy, conceited, superficial, but occasionally witty—there is the following clinching proof: "Until Saturday last we *experienced* in its full force the truth of the adage, 'there is no fool like a fool ignorant of his folly.' Our daguerreotype of Saturday revolutionized Mr. Cary's *experiences*, by revealing him to himself!"

"Honesty is the best policy," and it would be far better for Mr. Cary to own that his views have been rather misty in reference to responsible government, than to try to make out that he spoke the other evening of responsibility to the people but was incorrectly reported. Too many beside ourselves were surprised at his blunder on this point, to forget what he said about being responsible to the Crown.

As to his being compelled to retire from the Assembly, if he fails to maintain the confidence of the people—it is, to use his own classic word *bunkum*—*election bunkum*. If Mr. Cary is elected, he will keep his seat till the House is dissolved. Nothing surer.

Notwithstanding the allusion to English usage, we adhere to the position that while the number of members is so small, it is wise policy to exclude government officials from the Assembly. There is nothing unconstitutional in this course. It is a prudent measure, which the people may adopt if they choose, and which under existing circumstances we earnestly recommend them to adopt. It will shut the door effectively against corruption, undue influence, &c.

We have no particular need of the present conditionally promised us by Mr. Cary, being well provided with *vade mecum* on British parliamentary law and usage. We fear Mr. Cary's small library of six books would be too much depleted by the donation, and that his clients would suffer thereby, as he would personally be likely to give away the other two conveniences he brought to the country. Besides, we have nobler incentives to duty than the smiles and gift books even of an Attorney General.

Mr. Cary gravely tells us, that the Colonial Assembly cannot render the Legislative Council elective. Then who can? He says no measure in the House of Representatives change the formation of the Council, any more than the Commons in England can affect the hereditary peerage! We shall see. What has been done in other British Colonies can and will be done here, the opinion of "the only person in the Colony capable of pointing out the unsound spots in our procedure and remedying them," to the contrary notwithstanding.

What a Cary-ish phrase is that we have just quoted: "the only man in the Colony," &c. Alas for the Colony! What would have become of us had not the old pupil of

Sir Hugh Cairns fortunately came among us!

Mr. Cary admits the desirability of some revision of the Council, but finds fault with us for having a plan. Why has he *none*? Any fool can find fault, but one mend-fault is worth a dozen mere find-faults. If Mr. Cary has a better plan than ours, let him out with it. If "the only person in the Colony" &c., has no plan, our case is truly desperate. To propose some wise measure would have been far more to the purpose than trying to poke fun at our maternal relative. Perhaps we were as well off in that respect as Mother Cary's chicken.

We are accused of cabbaging a land-scheme from Mr. Cary. If Mr. Cary has originated a land or any other scheme since his arrival in the colony which is *worth* cabbaging, we should like to know it, that we may help ourselves to it as we have a right to do, he being sent here to devise legal measures for us. Mr. Cary complains that we propose to amend laws and consolidate the statutes without his having a seat in the House. Yet he knows very well that "the only person in the colony" &c., is bound to give opinions on public questions for which he is responsible when asked for them: to use his own words, "the law officer cannot resist the application."

Mr. Cary is for direct taxation but advocates a *debt*. Mr. Selim Franklin claims the paternity of the debt measure, seeing no doubt a nice little agency for the sale of debenture in the distance. The H. B. Co. would like the debt as they might hold on to their lots awhile longer without having to pay a heavy tax. Our motto still is and will be, "DIRECT TAXATION AND NO DEBT!" We repeat a sentiment in our account of the Cary meeting, the force of which was destroyed by a misprint which converted "prosperity" into property: "We can get prosperity fast enough without the incubus of debt."

Mr. Cary opposes a naturalization law, on the ground that instructions adverse to it have been given by the Home Government. We shall advocate such a law nevertheless. These instructions are not unalterable. A petition from the Assembly giving good reasons would effectually secure their revocation. We are for encouraging worthy settlers from all parts of the world by a speedy and liberal naturalization law.

The base insinuation is made that we are insincere in advocating equal rights for our colored population and their children. A fling is also had at our "California habits" in relation to this matter. We defy Mr. Cary and every one else to point out any proof of inconsistency and sincerity on this point. While speaking of our views on this subject, why does he not declare his own?

We entirely agree with the following declaration, "we do not want Amor DeCosmos to be our King." Mr. De C. does not aspire to be king. He has too much respect for the liberties of the people to ask a seat in the legislature for the sake of ruling them. In Mr. Cary's eyes, the term legislator and king, are evidently synonymous. Let him should fancy his seat in Parliament a regal throne, we advise the people to keep him out.

Mr. Cary acknowledges the necessity of blisters at times, we trust those we have from time to time at the trouble of preparing for him, will have a beneficial effect by allaying the inflammation so prevalent in the vicinity of his organ of self-esteem.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO THE ELECTORS OF VICTORIA TOWN:

GENTLEMEN:—I regret to say the circumstances over which I have no control render it imperative that I should withdraw the public assent I have given to your kind request that I would become a candidate for your suffrages at the approaching election. This step, which will doubtless take you by surprise, does not result from any inducements held out in any quarter to lead me to retire. My reasons for this course are of a private nature, but as I have stated, are such as leave me no choice.

Though I cannot carry out the design I had formed of serving you in the Legislature, be assured I shall take a deep interest in the progress of public events, and shall at all times be happy to do what I can to promote the cause of Reform. I deem it only right and just to state further that I have entire confidence in the personal integrity, independence, and political principles of the gentleman whose name it was my wish to have coupled with my own in the present canvass: Mr. Amor De Cosmos. He has contended earnestly against abuses, and deserves well of his fellow-colonists. My friends whom I should have been glad to serve had circumstances permitted, will confer a personal favor upon me by combining not only to elect Mr. De Cosmos, but to put him in at the head of the poll.

Sincerely thanking you for every manifestation of your confidence and regard;

I am, Gentlemen,
Yours, &c.,
EDWARD E. LANGFORD.
Victoria, V. I., Jan. 4, 1860.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

THE CONSIGNEES OF THE SCHOONER ALERT Bean, Master, will please take notice that she will commence discharging cargo this morning at the wharf of Sam'l Price & Co. All goods when landed will be at the risk of the owners, and unless removed from the wharf before 5 o'clock, p. m., will be stored at the expense of the owners. Consignees will please call at the office of the Agents, pay freight and receive their orders.

SAM'L PRICE & CO.,
Agents.

Victoria, V. I., 4th Jan., 1860.

Agents.

J. GAMBITZ.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

VICTORIA
DRY GOODS STORE.

THE UNDERSIGNED WOULD RESPECTFULLY inform his friends and the public that he has

REMOVED

TO HIS

NEW FIRE-PROOF STORE,

Corner of Yates and Government sts.,

Where he is constantly supplied with

NEW GOODS

BY EVERY STEAMER,

and has always on hand a

SPLENDID ASSORTMENT

—OF—

CLOAKS AND MANTILLAS,

SILK, VELVET AND CLOTH.

—ALSO—

A large variety of

FINE SILKS.

—ALSO—

BONNETS.

An excellent variety of

ALEXANDER'S KID GLOVES

and a full assortment of

GENTLEMEN'S

Furnishing Goods:

FINE FROCK COATS;

DRESS COATS; OVER COATS;

VESTS AND PANTALOONS

OF DIFFERENT COLORS;

FASHIONABLE SILK HATS;

GILT CORNICES, CURTAIN RINGS, WINDOW SHADES OF ALL

COLORS, FRENCH CASSIMIERS, BROADELOTH,

BEAVER AND PILOT.

Also—A full assortment of Tailor's Trimmings.

Family Furnishing Goods.

Shewls, Aipacas, Merinos, De Laines, Furs, Gloves, Riding Hats, Gauntlets, Cloaks, Mantillas, Velvets, Embroideries, Ribbons, Laces, Carpets, Rugs, Druggets, Oil Cloths, Paper Hangings, Mattings, etc. etc.

And all other Goods pertaining to the Business, at the lowest prices.

N. B.—All orders from British Columbia, Oregon, or Washington Territory, by Express or otherwise, will be promptly attended to.

Jan. 5th

K. GAMBITZ.

TO E. M. SPARROW, ESQ.:

SIR:

We the undersigned, voters of the District of Salt Spring Island and Chemainus settlement, desire to tender you our sincere thanks for the able and disinterested manner in which you have hitherto exerted yourself to procure the privileges we now enjoy, and as a more tangible proof of our sincere thanks and confidence in your ability, we earnestly request that you will allow yourself to be put in nomination as a representative of the aforesaid District and settlement, in the Legislative Assembly, assuming you of our utmost support.

Sirs:—James Charles Bloomfield, George Watson, Thomas Cunningham, Robert Belford, William Robertson, Burgess Milton, J. L. Wilson, John J. Moore, Robert Watson, David Cunningham, James Myers, Thomas Martin, C. M. Chambers, E. B. Holt, Isaac Gougham, F. Smith, John Booth.

TO SILAS JAMES, ESQ., AND OTHERS:

GENTLEMEN:

I cannot but feel highly flattered by the honor you have done me, in tendering me your requisition and pledge of cordial support; should I allow myself to be put in nomination as your representative in the Legislative Assembly.

And were it possible for me to accede to your request, I should with the greatest of pleasure do so, but the short period that I have spent in the Colony, and business arrangements claiming that portion of my time, to which I feel you would be justly entitled, compelled me to present to you the honor that you would place upon me, assuring you at the same time, that I feel more than paid for the exertions that I made in connection with myself to securing the very liberal grant and privileges from the Government, to which you refer in your address.

Allow me, gentlemen, to say in conclusion, that I shall cheerfully join you in securing the services of the "right man for the right place."

A representative in whom we can rely to look after our interests in local matters, and also uniting with others in framing and carrying out such legislative enactments as will make our adopted home all that it is entitled to be, one of the most prosperous Colonies in our beloved Sovereign's broad domain.

And believe me, Gentlemen, to remain,

Yours, &c.,

I. M. SPARROW.

Jan. 5th

TO THE ELECTORS OF SAANICH DISTRICT:

GENTLEMEN:

A land owner in three districts of this Island, my

interests in the Colony can scarcely be doubted; and

lastly a member of the Legislative Assembly of a

prosperous colony; if honored with your confidence at the ensuing election, I trust, by a course of independent action, founded upon my colonial experience, to be useful in advancing the immediate business of the House, namely the practical questions of Revenue, Roads, and a reform of the Land System, and thus to prove myself, not by words alone,

Georgetown.

Your faithful servant,

W. DRISCOLL GOSSET,

Windsor Lodge, Victoria, Jan. 2d, 1860.

W. BRENNICK & CO.

TO THE ELECTORS OF SAANICH DISTRICT:

SAANICH, Dec. 29th, 1859.

Having been requested by the resident electors of

Saanich to represent them in the ensuing Assembly,

I have resolved to come forward as a candidate at

the approaching election, believing myself thoroughly

acquainted with all your wants from a residence

among you, together with an identity of interests.

JOHN COLES.

PHOENIX.

T. H. McCANN, CORNER OF YATES & WAD-

DINGTON streets, keeps constantly on hand the

Choicest Brands of Liquors and Cigars. A fresh

supply of Sooie Oysters always on hand.

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TO LOT OWNERS IN VICTORIA.

THE OWNER OF LOT NO. 1124, on BELCHER

street (beyond the Church of England) may pos-

sibly hear of something to his advantage by applica-

tion at this office.

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REMOVAL.

T. PHELAN

HAS REMOVED TO THE STORE NEXT TO

Dr. Zeiner's Drug Store, lately occupied by K

Gambitz, Government street.

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Registration Trickery.

EDITOR COLONIST.—The public generally may not be aware of the lists of voters having been re-opened after the time legally appointed for recording the names. For instance, the list for Salt Spring Island and Chemainus was opened up after the official list had been made out and posted at the Sheriff's office door; and this, without any public notice being given to enable the people generally to take the advantage, but merely to serve the purposes of a Government candidate. On the 30th Nov., when the time for receiving names expired, there were 8 or 9 voters, and on the 21st Dec., the lists showed 21 voters. The sequel, however, shows what purpose this is intended to serve, for Government candidate is quietly but energetically attempting to canvass for the honor.

I have entered a formal protest against this unlawful procedure, and shall moreover fight every inch of the ground, reserving to myself to petition against the election when the Assembly meets, should this Government candidate succeed by the votes which were registered after the closing of the lists. Yours, &c., JOHN COPLAND.

A similar game to the above is being played, we understand, in other districts, in order to get government candidates elected. It is a corrupt procedure, analogous to ballot-box stuffing in the United States. We trust this timely expose will operate as a warning in the proper quarter, as it may save unpleasant disclosures and proceedings hereafter. Those who are resorting to tricks of this kind, may rest assured that they are being closely watched, and that the strict provisions of British election law in reference to bribery and corrupt practices, will not be allowed to prove a dead letter here.

While on this subject, it may be as well to state that no other candidate for Salt Spring Island was thought of but Mr. Copland, until it was found that Mr. C. did not support and would not vote for Cary. No sooner did his name appear among the requisitionists of Mr. De Cosmos, than every means fair or foul was tried to prevent his election. We doubt not, however, that these efforts will fail. If any man has a claim, other than a resident there, to be elected by that constituency, it is Mr. Copland. But for his efforts in chartering a vessel to explore the Island, getting a pre-emptive system established, and securing the franchise to the settlers, there would have been no Salt Spring and Chemainus district. Mr. C. has spent no little time and labor in promoting the interests of the constituency, and the Islanders will be guilty of ingratitude if they do not elect him.

The Franklin Meeting.

"The high-bred gentleman," as the *Gazette* flatteringly styles the candidate of its first and unfaltering choice, addressed his friends and admirers at the Music Hall last evening. Mr. Trounce filled the chair, and Messrs. Hornfray, Rabson, and one or two other gentlemen occupied seats on the platform. Mr. Franklin gave a tame and hesitating rehash of his address, and touched on one or two matters not adverted to in that document. He waxed very earnest as to the debt, denied its existence, pledged his word and honor that there was none, and if ever one should be claimed, he would put in his "protest to the British House of Commons," so that we should never have to pay it! This ghost ought now to be considered as effectually laid. We confess, however, that our fears, founded on knowledge, refuse to be quieted.

Mr. F. reiterated his advocacy of raising money by loan for the improvement of the country, and proposed that as soon as the town should be incorporated, the Council should effect a loan for gas and water-works, &c. We hope these views will never prevail. We shall strenuously oppose either a loan for the Colony in general, or this town in particular. Pay as you go, is the true philosopher's stone, turning everything into gold.

Finding the Mechanic's Lien advocated in our address a popular topic, Mr. F. tried to make a little capital for himself by adopting this into his list of measures. Being questioned by Mr. Waddington as to his views on the public land, and whether the crown held them for the people he contended that the crown owned them, and not the people, but the Queen being very generous would give them to the people!

The meeting lacked the Attic salt and mother wit which formed the only redeeming feature in Mr. Cary's meeting. It was very tame and dull. On three cheers being called for at the close for Mr. Franklin, about ten or a dozen feebly responded, and the company dispersed with an evident sense of relief.

Two MEN STABBED.—Last evening two men were stabbed near the Royal Hotel, one in the neck and the other in the back, neither, however, dangerously. The person who committed the deed is now in confinement, miserably drunk.

Vessels in San Francisco up for Victoria, on the 25th ult., were the Cleopatra, W. D. Rice, and Almatia.

MR. LANGFORD.—We sincerely regret the apparently stern necessity which has compelled this gentleman to retire from the field on the very eve of election and with certain victory before him. Despite the ungenerous things said of him lately by false and fickle friends, we believe him to be fully deserving the respect, confidence, and suffrages of the electors. In the absence of explanation, it is useless to speculate on the cause of Mr. Langford's retirement, but we shall cherish the hope of seeing him in the Legislature "another day."

IMPORTS.

Per sehr ALERT, from San Francisco—577 pkgs. mdcx, 100 lbs flour, 38 bbls cement, 500 ft. lumber, 3 tons hay, 20 kgs white lead, 30 cs camphene, 1 cs coal oil, 1 pipe gin, 20 bbls port wine, 45 bbls iron, 11 do steel.

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Jan 4—Schr Alert, Bean, San Francisco.

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Jan 4—Schr Thames, Hewitt, Nanaimo.

Sloop Rover, Livermore, New Westminster.

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Victoria, Nov 25, 1859.

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- 2 puncheons choice Jamaica rum;
- 2 do Harvey's Scotch malt whisky;
- 1 do J. & J. Ley Scotch do. very fine;
- 5 bbls choice of Bowland whisky;
- 2 casks claret, St. Emilion, Maret and Marett brandy, pale and dark;
- 5 casks fine port and sherry wines;
- 20 lbs pippin apple cider;
- 50 cases Wolfe's schnapps;
- 20 cases Old Tom gin, Booth's & Barnett's;
- 2 puncheons Swaine Board & Co. Old Tom gin;
- 2 pipes extra Holland gin;
- 20 baskets Clicie Larbre Imperial Champagne;
- do Chiquot champagne;
- 50 cases Hostetter's Bitters;
- 100 cases V H & Co gin.

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NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE EXISTING
between A. H. GUILD and G. W. WEBB is dis-

solved this day by mutual consent. G. W. Webb re-

quires all demands against the house of Guild, Webb & Co. will be settled by A. H. Guild, who is alone authorized to receipt for the same, and collect all dues of said firm.

ALBERT H. GUILD,
GEORGE W. WEBB,
per C. C. Webb.

Victoria, V. I., Jan. 1, 1860.

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THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE THIS DAY EN-

TERED into copartnership under the name and firm of GUILD, DAVID & CO. for the transaction of a General Commission and Merchandise Brokerage business.

ALBERT H. GUILD,
JULES DAVID.

Victoria, January 1, 1860.

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VICTORIA ACADEMY.

THE REV. W. F. CLARKE IS DESIRIOUS

of receiving a limited number of young Ladies and Gentlemen for instruction with his own children in the ordinary branches of a thorough English education. He will therefore open an ACADEMY on MONDAY next, the 9th inst., in the Congregational Lecture Room, near the Episcopal Church.

The morals of the pupils, entrusted to him, will be assiduously watched, and while no efforts will be made to instill sectarian views, the important subject of religion will by no means be ignored.

Hours of tuition—10 to 12, and 1 to 3.

Strict punctuality will be enforced, and no deduction made for lost time.

Terms—\$10 per quarter of ten weeks, payable in advance.

Victoria, V. I., Jan. 2, 1860.

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VICTORIA COUNTY DISTRICT.

COLQUITS FARM, 30th Dec., 1859.

GENTLEMEN:

By your desire I notified the public the other day that I intended to come forward at the ensuing election as a candidate for Victoria District. As I find, however, that in the event of my election (which is very uncertain) I shall be put to great personal inconvenience, living as I do so far from town, and moreover that as there are now so many gentlemen in the field, all professing a liberal and judicious system of guiding public affairs, I must beg leave to erase my name from the list of competitors, fully assured that future events will prove my withdrawal to have been of little consequence.

1 am, Gentlemen,

Your ob't servant,

HENRY N. PEERS.

To Messrs. James Yates, Robert Anderson, John Irvine, Alex. Kennedy, Henry Wain, James Tod, Nicolas Auger and Baptiste Jolibois.

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SALT.

OF EXCELLENT QUALITY, just received and

for sale by JANION & GREEN.

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VICTORIA COUNTY DISTRICT.

December, 1859.

To C. BEDFORD YOUNG, Esq.:

SIR:—Having confidence in your liberal principles,

as well as in your energy & intelligence, we shall

have pleasure in seeing you offer yourself as a candi-

date for the approaching election to represent our

District, and promise you our cordial support.

James Yates, James Thorn, Anderson, Robert John

Irvine, Alex. Kennedy, Henry Wain, James Tod,

Nicolas Auger, Baptiste Jolibois.

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TO THE ELECTORS OF THE VICTORIA DISTRICT.

December 23 Dec., 1859.

GENTLEMEN:—I must first return my thanks to

those who have honored me with a requisition to

offer myself as one of their candidates at the ap-

proaching election, and also to many others who

have offered me their cordial support at the time

of election.

I declare to you all that I have no personal

vanity to gratify, nor any selfish object to gain on

this occasion, as some others may have who have

been trying to coax and cajole you into giving

them your votes. I am not controlled by any man

or set of men, nor will I be. I have no empty

promises to make you, nor any inconsistent views

to bewilder you with; if you think my services

may be useful to you, you can command them at

the poll; but I consider it would be indecorous

in me, and a very poor compliment to your under-

standing, to attempt by persuasion to force them

on you.

I will briefly say for the present, that I shall

advocate all liberal measures calculated to promote

the interests of the colony and the welfare of the

colonists, and that, if elected, I shall always hold

myself in readiness to surrender back into your

hands the charge confided to me, when you find

me faithless in the discharge of the duties attached

to it. I am, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

CHARLES B. YOUNG.

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To Messrs. James Yates, James Thorn, Robert

Anderson, John Irvine, Alexander Kennedy,

Henry Wain, James Tod, Nicholas Auger, Baptiste

Jolibois, and the other Electors of the V

Victoria District.

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Consignments solicited either for Auction or Private Sale.

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STOVE & TINWARE

of every description.

Glass and Crockery Ware, Wood and Willow Ware,
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